Wildland Fire Investigation Case Development (WFICD/FI-310)



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MONTANA SHERIFF'S & PEACE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNRC)

Location: Missoula, MT

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Training Program: Wildland Fire Investigation Case Development (WFICD/FI-310)

Wildland fires result in tremendous devastation of public resources and private property. The increasing frequency of these types of fires has brought on a need for additional, specially trained fire investigators. The WFICD/FI-310 is based on the certification standards and training programs for wildland fire investigators put in place by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG). It is intended to provide the students with the knowledge and skills necessary to develop and manage more complex fire investigation cases, in particular where serial arson is involved. The training focuses on case development, management, and organization as it pertains to wildland fire investigations and builds upon the information presented in the Wildland Fire Origin and Cause Determination Training Program (WFOCD/FI-210).

The course is a combination of lecture, break-out sessions, and a practical exercise. In the break-out sessions and the final practical exercise, student teams will plan, analyze, organize, and conduct a complex, serial arson investigation.

Type: Advanced

Length: 4.5 days

Curriculum

- Case Organization and Documentation
- Behavior Evidence Analysis
- Investigation Team Management
- Wildland Arson Investigative Techniques
- Preparing The Case Plan
- Physical Evidence Management
- Wildland Fire Investigation Forensics Interview
- Search and Seizure
- Case Presentation
- Courtroom Testimony

Instructors

Instructional personnel in the WFICD/FI-310 are current and former investigators with many years of experience conducting and supervising wildland fire investigations. This cadre of qualified and experienced instructors comes from various Federal, state, and local law enforcement/investigative agencies.

Tuition and Cost

Call (912) 554-4828 or send an email to: <u>FLETC-FIT-InvestigationsBranch@dhs.gov</u> for the current costs.

Prerequisites for Attendance

Enrollment is open to full-time, Federal, state, or local law enforcement officers or fire management personnel who have responsibilities for the investigation of wildland fires. However, students must have successfully completed the WFOCD/FI-210 before registering for the course. Partner organization personnel have first priority for selection.

Additional Information

Contact Jim Blankenship 406-542-4282 for additional information Student capacity is 30